

welfare. Children will often turn around to us and say, 'Father and mother don't take much interest in the church and do not live as they should.' They say, 'There is our neighbor A. He takes the *Gospel Messenger*, and he is much concerned about the church and always knows all that is going on in the church, and even his children know something of the work of the church, while we are ignorant about the work of the church, since father does not take the *Gospel Messenger*.' This year I made a special effort to get subscribers for the *Gospel Messenger* in my visits among the churches, and through my influence you got new subscribers."

THE following is an extract from the tract, "Boys and Young Men," others will follow:—"Our railroads, our steamboats, and even our manufacturing establishments are beginning to find that they must have young men absolutely free from such habits for responsible positions, especially where life and property are at stake, and risked by the neglect, heedlessness, incapacity, or carelessness of employees. Boys and young men, if you ever think of asking for or seeking a position or employment, let the above poisons alone. What merchant, whether free from such habits himself or not, wants or would choose a clerk who was addicted to them, or whose breath smells of beer, wine, whiskey, or tobacco? What man or woman would prefer a doctor whose breath smells of the above poisons, or what congregation would prefer a clergyman to go in and out setting such an example, and thus encouraging the young to use such poisons."

## Personal Mention.

Brother Arthur Brubaker is still holding forth the word with power.

Brother E. E. Haskins begins a meeting at Maurertown, Va., Febr. 7.

Sister Grossnickle will be at Ankneytown, Ohio, next Sabbath, Feb. 10.

The meeting in the College chapel by Brother Miller closed with two accessions by baptism.

Brother W. S. Kokendoffer reports two accessions at Montevallo, Mo., and an active, wide-awake church.

The address of brother S. W. Wilt, has been changed from Clifton Mills, W. Va., to Toll Gate, Richie County, W. Va.

Brother Cripe reports a good meeting at Elkhart, Ind., held by brother I. N. Miller who has been engaged as pastor for this Conference year.

Brother Jacob W. Beer is holding meetings, at Seward, Kan., in the M. E. church. This is a good point for the Home Mission Board.

The accessions at Warsaw, Ind., have reached 54. Gospel preaching, the free use of tracts, and a good working church—these do the work.

A card from brother J. W. Smouse, dated Jan. 18, says he is in the midst of a glorious revival in the Brush Valley Congregation, Pa. Five accessions to date.

Brother J. A. Miller spent last Saturday at Loudonville, attending the Tri-County Teacher's Institute, where he read an able paper on the Growth and Development of the Mind.

The accessions in the Johnstown congregation have now reached thirty-two. Of this number four are yet to be baptized. Services conducted by the pastor, Brother Haskins.

Two more baptized at Salisbuay, Pa. Since its organization, there has been a continuous revival in this congregation. Special revival services begin Febr. 2, by the pastor, Brother Mackey.

Brother Haskins of Johnstown, Pa., orders a roll of EVANGELISTS for the new families recently added to the congregation. That is right brother. Introduce the paper, and work will be far easier.

Of the theological boys, Brother Oberholtzer preached at Mansfield, over Sabbath, Brother Grisso, at North Liberty, Brother Darling at Ohl's chapel, and Brother Byers in the College chapel. The boys are "kept at it."

Brother A. J. Baughman closed a two weeks' meeting at Williamstown, Ohio, with good interest and two accessions by baptism. The meeting closed on account of bad roads and the prevalence of measles in the community.

Brother Wm. Kiefer, of Pleasant Home, writes that the Fair Haven church is in good working order and every thing moving along nicely. Lately five persons have been added to the church. No protracted meetings yet this winter.

Brother R. R. Teeter gives quite an interesting report of his work in this issue. We are glad to learn that Brother Teeter has recovered from his recent illness, and is now about the Master's business again. Yes, brother, we will send the literature.

The following is a postal card, dated Jan. 25: "Began a series of meetings in Nickerson, Kan., Dec. 29, closed Jan. 19, with two accessions by baptism, two applicants for baptism, and one more confession. Sabbath-school increased and church revived. Expect Brother Hixson Febr. 6, to hold a week's meeting. I baptized one at Riverton, Kan., Jan. 24, also one applicant. JACOB W. BEER.

Brother J. D. McFaden sends us the names of fifteen persons, representing every family from which members were received at the Preston meeting, and asks us to send the EVANGELIST to each one. Brother McFaden has the correct idea. He began with tracts and ends with EVANGELISTS. Tracts are helpful in bringing people to Jesus; the church paper will be a great help in keeping them close to Jesus.

The following item is taken from the *Sabetha Republican Herald*:—"Rev. John Duke McFaden, who preached for the Progressive Brethren in this city several times last year, is conducting a revival at Preston, Neb., a few miles north of Reserve, Brown county. He began his meetings several weeks ago with only two members and has already added thirty-nine new converts to the church. He started in at his home church at Carleton, Neb., three years ago with twenty members and now has a strong and active congregation of 270 members. There is some talk of securing Brother McFaden to conduct a series of meetings in this city in the near future."

## FROM MONTEVALLO, MO.

I send you herewith a report of our congregation, it having been some time since we sent you a report. We hail with delight the fact that so many are coming to Christ, and are so glad that there are so many successful revival efforts reported throughout the brotherhood. May the good work go gloriously on—brethren, everywhere, shoulders to the wheel, and let us move the Gospel chariot along. At the last quarterly meeting in '95, it was decided for the pastor and deacons to visit every brother and sister of the congregation. This they have done, and since we can discover the good results we can say that there is no better method to bind a church together in a closer bond of Christian fellowship. Let us visit each other and have a short season of worship. By so doing we will feel that we are interested in the spiritual welfare of each other, and thereby draw strength from each other which would otherwise be lost. Let us remember that it is not only from the pulpit that convincing sermons are delivered, but that a pious, Christ-like "daily walk" will be a grand sermon each day. At our regular meeting, Jan. 19, we had two accessions. Administer baptism soon.

At our last quarterly meeting we voted to build a church house, as we have needed it so badly, brethren, pray for us that we may make the venture a success.

Your brother in Christ.

W. S. KOKENDOFFER.